

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Attorney Docket No.: 4166.01US02

Michael J. Cuppy Confirmation No.: 4531

Application No.: 10/797,526 Examiner: Shefali Dilip Patel

Filed: March 10, 2004 Group Art Unit: 3709

For: VASCULAR ACCESS DEVICE AND METHOD OF USING SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of three (3) month(s) (from December 6, 2007 to March 6, 2008) within which to respond to the Office Action dated September 6, 2007 is requested. Applicant is entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 the \$525.00 extension fee and any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,



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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.